



Patent Case No. 21122YP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IFW

Applicant of: Steven S. Carroll, et al

Serial No.: 10/517,295

Filed: December 7, 2004

Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

For: NUCLEOSIDE DERIVATIVES AS INHIBITORS OF
RNA-DEPENDENT RNA VIRAL POLYMERASE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) to the Commissioner for Patents for an extension of the shortened statutory period for replying to the outstanding Office Action dated 2/15/2006 in the above-identified application. A response to said Action is (is not) attached hereto.

Please charge the following fee to Deposit Account No. 13-2755:

- ☐ \$120 -- First Month Extension
☒ \$450 -- Second Month Extension
☐ \$1020 -- Third Month Extension
☐ \$1590 -- Fourth Month Extension
☐ \$2160 -- Fifth Month Extension

06/19/2006 MAHMED1 00000006 132755 10517295
01 FC:1252 450.00 DA

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2755. Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

Respectfully,

By: Melvin Winokur

Attorney For Applicant(s)

Reg. No. 32,763

MERCK & CO., INC.

Patent Dept., RY60-30

P.O. Box 2000

Rahway, N.J. 07065-0907

(732) 594-7234

Date: June 15, 2006

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE
DATE OF DEPOSIT 6/15/2006
EXPRESS MAIL NO. EL 989585036 US
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS
BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL
SERVICE AS EXPRESS MAIL "POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE"
ON THE ABOVE DATE IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450,
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450
MAILED BY Patricia B. Crowley
DATE 6/15/06

IN DUPLICATE